

INFORMATION FOR STUDENTS

Week A - Monday 4 September 2017

From Mr Skelton

Assembly Programme

Tuesday 5 Sept:	Headteacher's Assembly (Mr Carroll)	
8.45 - 9.05am	Year 9	meet in Theatre
9.15 - 9.35am	Year 10	meet at tutor base
9.45 - 10.05am	Year 11	meet at tutor base

Wednesday 6 Sept:	6th Form Assembly (Mr Downey)	
8.40am	Year 12	meet in Theatre

Thursday 7 Sept:	6th Form Assembly (Mr Downey)	
8.55am	Year 13	meet in Theatre

Assembly days from 11 September are as follows: please note change of day for Year 11

Tuesday:	Mr Downey	VI Form
Wednesday:	Mr Cooksey	Year 11
Thursday:	Mrs Beckwith	Year 9
Friday:	Mr Skelton	Year 10

From Miss Murray

Word of the Week / Text of the Week

Word of the week returns! With a new partner in crime – “Text of the Week”. Enjoy, read and discuss.

Word of the week: Existentialism

Text of the week: A selection of different voices expressing events and experiences they have faced in life: <https://www.theguardian.com/lifeandstyle/series/experience>

Youth Speaks

Interested in putting forward your ideas, articulating them in an imaginative and effective way? Come along to the first meeting for the debate competition ‘Youth Speaks’ in E4 with Miss Murray.

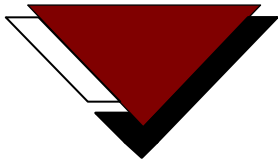
See you all at **lunchtime on Thursday 7 September.**

From the Student Voice Team

Inspirational Quote for Wellbeing Wednesday

“You’re stronger than you seem, smarter than you think and braver than you believe.”

By Christopher Robin



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From Mrs Green

Year 10 Duke of Edinburgh

Meetings will continue as normal from Tuesday 5 September for the Tuesday training and Wednesday 6 September for the other group, building up to the practice expedition on the 23rd/24th September 2017.

From Mr Turney

Astro-turf

Students should be aware that the astro-turf is open every break and lunchtime for recreational football. To use this facility you must be coming on to play football.

You are welcome to bring a ball to play with, or you can hire one from the PE office (subject to availability).

Please ensure you change into trainers outside of the astro-turf. School shoes may not be worn. Food and drink is also not permitted. Please follow these clear and simple rules.

We look forward to seeing lots of you take up this opportunity.

Extra-curricular Sport

We have a wide range of activities for everyone to be involved with. No previous experience of the activities is needed to be involved.

We would love to see each and every student attend at least one club per week!
Be active and get involved!

Your tutor will go through the options for each day. The programme of activities is also displayed in the PE areas. Any questions please ask any PE team member!

Boys' Football

Football trials begin on Wednesday this week for all year groups. Students should arrive at the PE changing rooms after school.

The club will run from 3.15pm- 4.30pm and will take place on the field. Please arrange with parents/ carers how you will be collected.

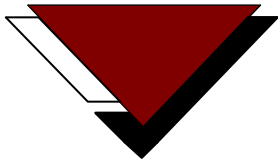
All abilities are welcome. This year we are hoping to run a 'B' team also in year 9!
See you on Wednesday!

Girls' Football

Girls' football starts next Monday 11 September. All year groups are welcome.

We will also be joined by female students from Brooklands and Gilbert Inglefield for these sessions.

Even if you have never played football before, please come along. We would love to see you!
Training will be on the astro-turf from 3.15-4.45pm. You must wear suitable kit to play.



Please arrange for parents/ carers to collect you from the astro-turf where necessary.

Any questions please see Mr Turney.

FA Junior Football Leaders' Award

Beginning next week, we are hoping to offer you the opportunity to complete the FA Junior Football Leaders' Award. This is open to all year groups, both male and female.

If you would like to take part in this programme, please see Mr Turney for a letter. The cost of the course will be approximately £26.

It will culminate in you completing 4 hours (minimum) of coaching football to middle school students. You will then be awarded your nationally recognised certification.

We only have a maximum of 18 places that will be awarded on a first come, first served basis!

Sports Leaders' Award (Level 1 and Level 2)

YEAR 9 - Level 1 Award in Sports Leadership

Many students have taken the opportunity to complete the Sports Leaders' Award (Level 1) course. For year 9 students who may be interested in gaining this qualification, please collect a letter from Mr Turney or Mr Collier.

The course will involve you presenting and completing multi-sports activities to a variety of younger age groups. In recent years, we have taken our leaders to a host of middle and lower school competitions around the county and also run after-school sports clubs for local lower schools.

There is a cost to completing the course of approximately £25.50 (if T-shirt required). If you would like to be part of this programme, however you feel the cost may be too expensive, please speak to Mr Turney as often something can be arranged.

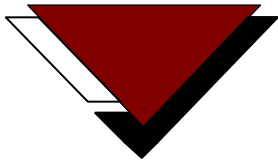
You will need to be willing to commit to the set after-school practice and competitions as required, plus one lunchtime a week will be used to compete your workbooks.

Again, for more information, see Mr Turney or Mr Collier.

YEAR 10 & 11 - Level 2 Award in Sports Leadership

We would like to run the Level 2 Award in Sports Leadership. You do not need to have completed the Level 1 award in order to do this nationally recognised qualification.

If you can commit to the lunchtime theory session and the after-school competitions (plus are willing to complete 10 hours of additional leadership), then please collect a letter from Mr Turney or Mr Collier. There will be a cost to this programme of approximately £31. If you would like to be part of this programme, however feel the cost may be too expensive, please speak to Mr Turney as often something can be arranged.



From Mrs Beckwith

Homework Club

If you would like any extra help with your homework, or just simply need a place to complete homework, we have a Homework Club running in the A&I department after school every Monday from 3.30-4.30pm.

From Mrs Sharman

Revision and Extra-curricular Sessions on Vandyke Website

An extract of the details of revision and extra-curricular sessions which are given in the bulletin are now available for students and parents/carers on the Vandyke website:

students/extra-curricular activities and revision sessions

This is updated each week with the information contained in the student bulletin.

From Mrs Webb, Library

Exam Equipment

A reminder to students that we have exam pencil cases for sale in the library for £1.50 containing everything you need.

From Mr Skelton

Maths Revision

There will be Maths Revision Sessions for all years (separate rooms for each year) every TUESDAY after school for an hour.

From Mrs Hargreaves

DT Extra-curricular Activities

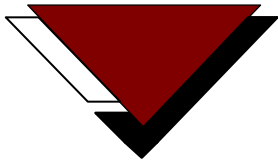
- All year groups - DT Craft Club Wednesdays after school from 3.30 - 5.00pm in D45

You will have the opportunity to make a wide range of products - come along and have a go at something new!

From Mr Bennett

Art Club

The after-school group continues on Wednesdays after school. Drop in to carry on with your own work, or catch up on homework.



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From Mr Carr and Mrs Webb

Chess Club - All Years Welcome

Chess Club is now running Wednesday evenings after school until 4.30 in the library. Students are still welcome to come and have a game at lunchtimes. All year groups and abilities welcome, from beginners to experts!